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| EXHAUST LINE CATALYST OR MUFFLER                               |                           |                          |
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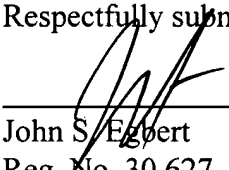
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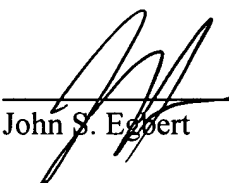
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The prior art references, as indicated and including any non-English language prior art references, provide information defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance to the present invention. However, U.S. Patent No. 470,738, European Patent No. 0 972 915, and U.S. Patent No. 5,937,516 are considered to be relevant to the issue of inventive step of the invention when each reference is considered in a combination. U.S. Patent No. 6,296,922 and Japanese Abstract 2001-205354 are considered to be relevant to the issue of inventive step when each reference is considered alone.

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